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Applicants: Margaret Gwyn Latimer  
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For: **RESILIENT FLUID MANAGEMENT MATERIALS FOR PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS**

**Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney  
Original U.S. Patent Application  
Joint Inventors**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

As the below-named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our respective residence addresses, post office addresses and citizenship designations are as stated below, next to our names.

We believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought in the patent application entitled:

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the specification of which is attached.

We hereby state that each of us has reviewed and understands the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims and any accompanying drawings as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath or declaration.

We acknowledge our duty to disclose all information which is material to the patentability of this application as defined by 37, C.F.R. 1.56.

As the named inventors, we hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith:

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Assignment – Joint Inventors

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Sir:

WHEREAS Margaret Gwyn Latimer residing at 115 Jones Bridge Woods Place, Alpharetta, Georgia 30022 and Roland Columbus Smith, Jr. residing at 2771 Pierce Road, Gainesville, Georgia 30507 (hereinafter collectively referred to as Assignors), have made an invention and have each either (1) previously executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America therefor or (2) are contemporaneously executing an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America for the invention which is entitled:

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AND WHEREAS Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having offices at 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956, United States of America, (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and under said Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that in consideration of the payment by the Assignee to the Assignors of the sum of One U.S. Dollar (\$1.00 U.S.) and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors hereby sell, assign and transfer to the Assignee the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, renewal, substitute, re-examination, conversion or reissue thereof, including all extensions thereof, or any legal equivalent thereof in any foreign country for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted, including any and all convention rights.

The Assignors hereby covenant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment and sale.

The Assignors further covenant that the Assignors will promptly provide, upon written request, Assignee with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents in foreign countries as may be known and accessible to the Assignors and that they will promptly execute and deliver to Assignee or its legal representatives any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue, extend and enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof in any foreign country which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignors have executed this document on the date indicated below:

Margaret Gwyn Latimer  
Margaret Gwyn Latimer

15 December 1998  
(Date)

Roland Columbus Smith, Jr.  
Roland Columbus Smith, Jr.

15 December 1998  
(Date)

Our representative may be reached at: 770-587-7273.

We hereby declare that:

1. All statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and
2. These statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issued thereon.

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A. Patent Application No.(s)

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

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7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$ 40.00

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

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Name of Person Signing

James B. Robinson  
Signature

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Date

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